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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of: KILIBWA :  
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For: POLYEXTROSE AS ANTI-STALING : Attorney Docket No.:  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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- ☒ Amendment (12pgs)  
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Independent Claims	5	0	X \$ 42.00	X \$ 84.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)			+ \$ 140.00	+ \$280.00	0
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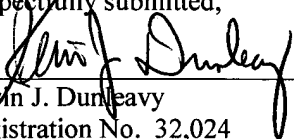
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This is a response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2003. This response is timely due to the concurrent filing of a petition for a three-month extension of time and extension fee. In response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2002, please reconsider the rejections therein in light of the amendments and reasoning set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph on page 7 at lines 15 to 20 and replace it with the following text:

-- In one embodiment, polydextrose is used in combination with emulsifier. Optionally, such an emulsifier can include glyceryl monostearate, mono-diglycerides, sodium stearyl lactylate and Datem (diacetyl tartaric esters of mono- and diglycerides). In another embodiment, polydextrose is used in

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F1 combination with an enzyme or in combination with an enzyme and an emulsifier. Suitable enzymes could include bacterial and fungal amylases, pullulanase, amyloglucosidase, pentosanase, xylanase, and maltogenic  $\alpha$ -amylase. - -

A copy of this paragraph, with amendments marked, appears in Appendix I, which is enclosed with the present Response.

### IN THE CLAIMS

30. (Five Times Amended) A method of making a baked product having improved anti-staling properties, the method comprising the steps of:

F2 forming a baking dough by combining flour, yeast, water, and water-soluble polydextrose anti-staling agent in an amount of from 1 percent to 5 percent by weight, based on the weight of the flour; and  
baking the dough.

F3 33. (Amended) The method of claim 32 wherein said baking dough is prepared by means of a process selected from the group consisting of straight dough processes, sour dough processes, Chorleywood bread processes, and sponge and dough processes.

36. (Amended) The method of claim 30 wherein said baking dough further comprises fiber. allow

F4 37. (Amended) The method of claim 30 wherein said baking dough further comprises one or more enzymes with anti-staling properties.

38. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 37 wherein said one or more enzymes are selected from the group consisting of amylase, pullulanase, amyloglucosidase, pentosanase, xylanase, and maltogenic  $\alpha$ -amylase.

39. (Four Times Amended) A method of making a baked bread product having improved anti-staling properties, the method comprising the steps of: